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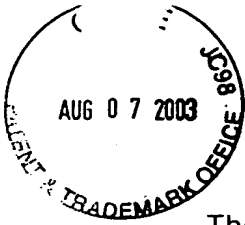
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The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR §1.97(b), before the mailing date of the first Office Action on the merits and within three months of the mailing date of the foreign search report.

RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT

Document A1 is a U.S. counterpart of Document A8.

Document A3 is a U.S. counterpart of Document A9.

Documents A2 and A4-A9 were cited as being relevant during the prosecution of the corresponding European application. A copy of the European Search Report is attached setting forth the portion of each document considered relevant by the examiner. An English translation of each of the foreign-language documents is not readily available; however, the absence of such translation does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 CFR §1.98 and MPEP §609). English language abstracts are provided for Documents A5, A6, A7 and A9.

STATEMENT

The undersigned hereby states in accordance with 37 CFR §1.97(e)(1) that each item of information contained in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to filing of this Statement.

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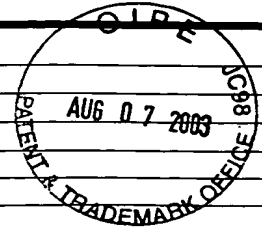
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